MORTON GROVE
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# Spirit WEEK

## APRIL 3-9

Join our fun daily activities in celebration of National Library Week!

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# MEET THE **NEW TRUSTEES**

In November 2021, the Library's Board of Trustees swore in two new trustees to fill vacant seats. We wanted to learn more about these Morton Grove residents and public servants, so we asked them to complete a short Q&A. Learn more about our Board of Trustees at **mgpl.org/board-of-trustees**.

Your life summed up:
*"Grew up wanting to be an international street artist, ended up a suburban dad working at a small marketing agency."*

## **MARK** FLORES

**Why you wanted to join the Board of Trustees:** Growing up, the library played an integral part of my development. I was always at the library, whether checking out "Choose Your Own Adventure" books, attending educational programs like "Rocket Building," or looking at microfiche for my midterm papers. It was a safe place to be yourself, find yourself, or just be by yourself. My kids have also enjoyed the library and its programming since we moved to Morton Grove. When I found out there was a place on the Board of Trustees, it seemed like a natural fit for a place to give back to a community that has embraced us with open arms.

**Fun fact about yourself:** I was the featured artist in Rick Bayless' XOCO Restaurant in Wicker Park. The restaurant no longer exists, but the pieces are in two upscale restaurants in the West Loop, Cruz Blanca and Lena Breva, and I was recently commissioned to do some pieces for local Morton Grove residents.

**Favorite place in Morton Grove:** The forest preserve. Not having grown up close to nature, it is one of my favorite places to wander around (on a bike).

**Last thing you checked out from the library:** An issue of *Ad Age* magazine that I thought the agency I work for was featured in, only to find out we never made the print edition!

**Favorite books:**
*48 Laws of Power* by Robert Greene, *The Westies* by T. J. English, *My Bloody Life* by Reymundo Sanchez. I once interviewed Reymundo Sanchez and was given a tour of his haunts in the city. It was fascinating and I ended up getting his sister, the future author of *Lady Q: The Rise and Fall of a Latin Queen*, a job at the newspaper I worked at in the early 2000s.

**Favorite movies:**
*Dracula, The Irishman*

Your life summed up:
*"I was raised in Rogers Park and Lincolnwood, studied and traveled around the world, and came back to Morton Grove to raise a family with my wife of 16 years."*

## **MOHAMMED** HUSSAIN

**Why you wanted to join the Board of Trustees:** I love the library and I wanted to do my part to continue its record of excellent service to our community. My family has benefitted from the library in innumerable ways, and as a board member it is my hope that every Morton Grover can find as much benefit in this institution as we do.

**Fun fact about yourself:** Somehow my Spanish is better than my Urdu and Arabic.

**Favorite place in Morton Grove:** Super Cup, MCC, and Austin Park in the summer.

**The last thing you checked out from the library:** *World Travel: An Irreverent Guide* by Anthony Bourdain and a Roku stick.

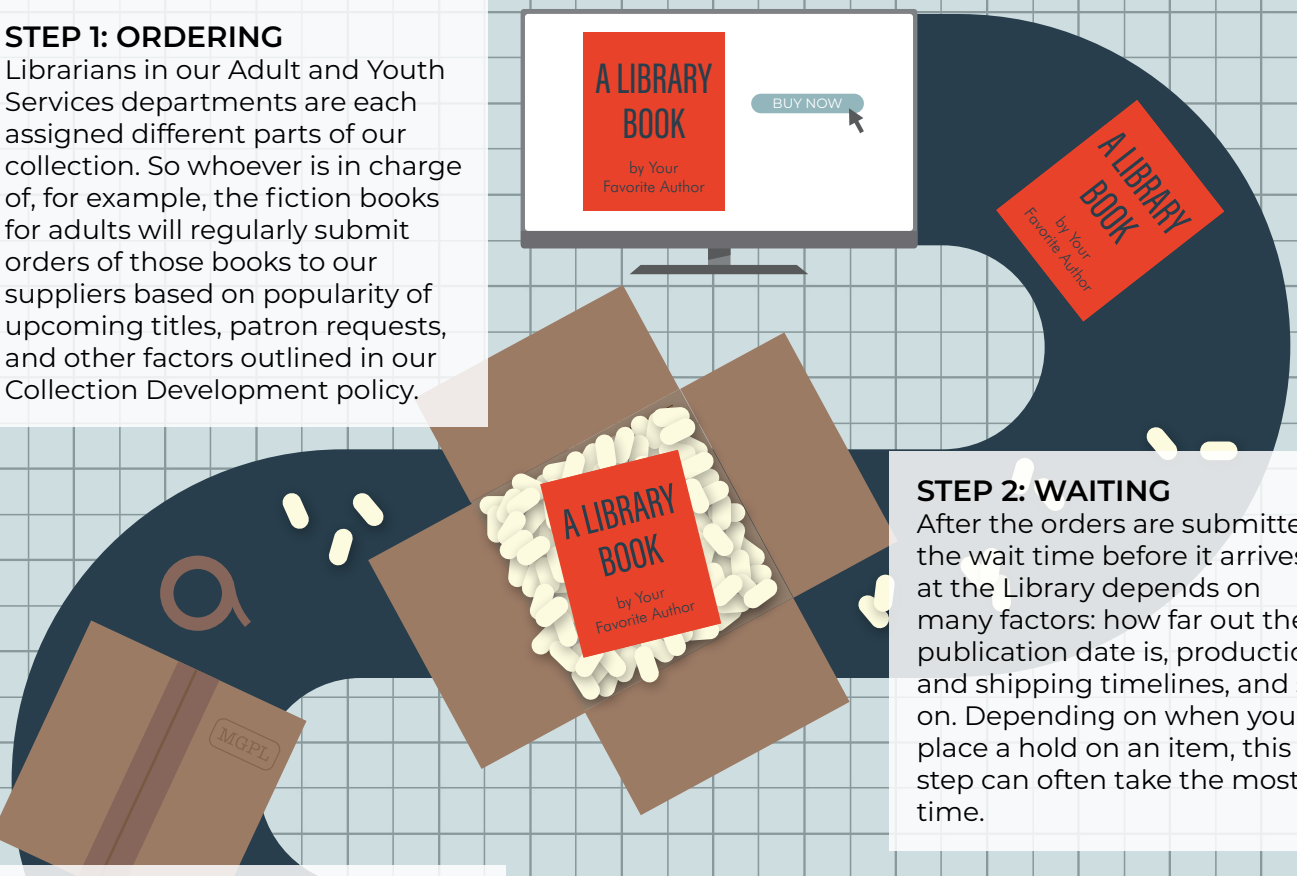
**Favorite books:**
*The Grapes of Wrath* by John Steinbeck, *Blue Highways* by William Least Heat-Moon, *It's Even Worse Than It Looks* by Thomas E. Mann, *Good Economics for Bad Times* by Abhijit V. Banerjee and Esther Duflo, and any travel writing by Paul Theroux, Bill Bryson, or Peter Hessler.

**Favorite movie(s):**
*The Lord of the Rings* trilogy, *Apocalypto*, *Ghost Dog*, *Malcolm X*, and *Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter... and Spring*

# THE JOURNEY OF A LIBRARY BOOK

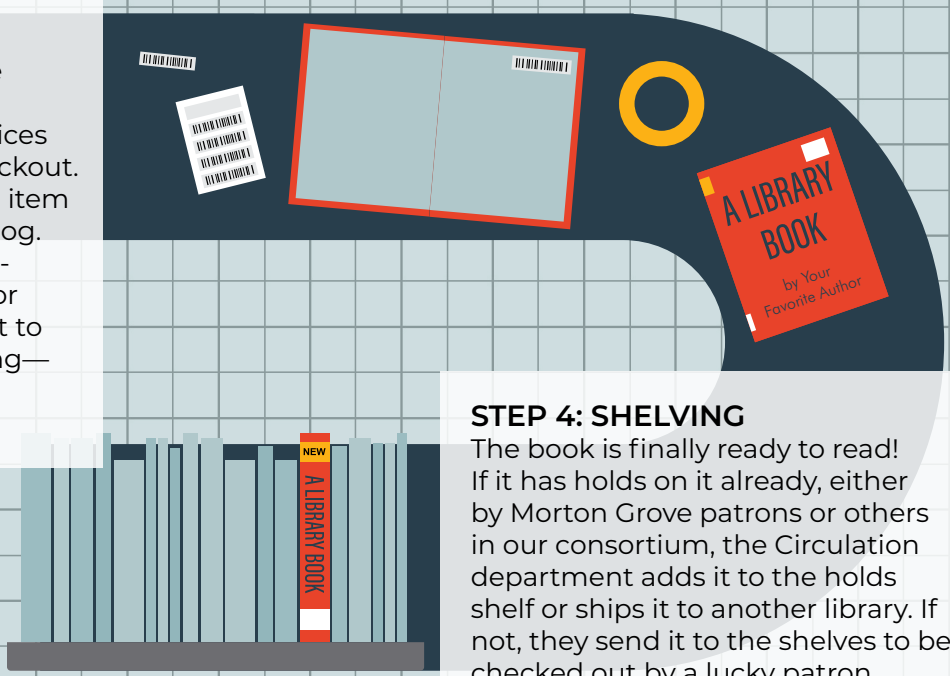
## A Behind-the-Scenes Look

**STEP 1: ORDERING**
Librarians in our Adult and Youth Services departments are each assigned different parts of our collection. So whoever is in charge of, for example, the fiction books for adults will regularly submit orders of those books to our suppliers based on popularity of upcoming titles, patron requests, and other factors outlined in our Collection Development policy.




**STEP 2: WAITING**
After the orders are submitted, the wait time before it arrives at the Library depends on many factors: how far out the publication date is, production and shipping timelines, and so on. Depending on when you place a hold on an item, this step can often take the most time.

**STEP 3: PROCESSING**
Once the book does arrive at the Library, it goes through several stages within our Technical Services department to get ready for checkout. After unboxing and verifying the item is correct, staff add it to the catalog. If it has holds or relates to a time-sensitive theme (like Christmas or Black History Month), it gets sent to the front of the line for processing—adding a shelf location sticker, barcode, and so on.




**STEP 4: SHELVING**
The book is finally ready to read! If it has holds on it already, either by Morton Grove patrons or others in our consortium, the Circulation department adds it to the holds shelf or ships it to another library. If not, they send it to the shelves to be checked out by a lucky patron.

# Spirit WEEK

Help us celebrate National Library Week (April 3-9) by joining in fun daily activities for MGPL's Spirit Week! We'll share different themed activities all week, leading up to the ribbon-cutting ceremony for our newly renovated Youth Services Department on Sunday, April 10.

Participate in person at the Library or on social media by tagging us with a photo of your contribution to each day's theme. Every day you participate will increase your chances of winning a $100 Visa gift card.

## SHELFIE **SUNDAY**
Show us your shelves! Books, DVDs, plants, sports memorabilia—we want to see what you love to collect.

## MGPL **MONDAY**
Show off your library love by wearing an MGPL shirt or the library's colors.

## TAKE A PICTURE **TUESDAY**
Share a selfie with your MGPL card, or stop by the Library and we'll take one for you.

## WHAT'S GOOD **WEDNESDAY**
Show us what you are currently reading, watching, or listening to.

## THROWBACK **THURSDAY**
Do you miss the '70s, '80s, or '90s? Dress up in the decade's style of your choice OR share your favorite book as a child.

## FAVORITE **FRIDAY**
Have a favorite book, movie, or team? Dress up as your favorite character or in your favorite sports gear.

## SWEET **SATURDAY**
Enjoy some donut holes on us from 9-11 am as a thanks for being a great community of library users!

## YOUTH SERVICES DEPARTMENT **DEDICATION & RIBBON CUTTING**
**Sunday, April 10, 1:30 pm**
Visit our newly remodeled Youth Services Department for a brief ribbon cutting, dedication, and reception by Library staff and the Board of Trustees. Refreshments will be served outside in the patio weather permitting.

**REGISTRATION** begins March 15 for April events and April 15 for May events unless otherwise noted.

## Storytimes

## ONLINE - FACEBOOK LIVE

Visit the Library's Facebook page to watch live and on demand.

### Bedtime Stories & More
Birth to Kindergarten with a parent/caregiver
**Mondays, April 4 and May 2, 7-7:20 pm**
Wind down for bed with a story or two.

### Listen Up!
Birth to Kindergarten with a parent/caregiver
**Tuesdays, 10-10:20 am**
Listen to stories, sing songs, and more as Ms. Amy brings the Library to your home.

## ONLINE - ZOOM

Join using free Zoom software on your internet-connected device (computer, smartphone, or tablet). An email with instructions on how to join the event will be sent to registrants the day before the event.

### 1000 Books Before Kindergarten Storytime
Birth to Age 5 with a parent/caregiver
**Thursday, May 26, 10-10:30 am**
A special storytime event for participants of our 1000 Books Before Kindergarten program. We'll read stories, share our favorite books, and more. Learn more about 1000 Books Before Kindergarten and sign up at **mgpl.org/1000books. R**

### Storytime on the Lawn
**Mondays in May, 10:30-11 am**
**(no storytime May 30)**
Drop by the front lawn of the Library for an outdoor storytime, weather permitting.

## IN THE ACTIVITY ROOM

All storytime participants should be accompanied by a parent or caregiver. Registration is required. **R**

### Wee Read
Birth to Age 2 with a parent/caregiver
**Fridays, 9:30-10 am or 11-11:30 am**
Stories, songs, and rhymes for our littlest learners. Older siblings welcome.

### Toddler Time
Ages 24-36 months with a parent/caregiver
**Wednesdays, April 6-20 and May 4-18, 10-10:30 am**

### Preschool Storytime
Ages 3-5 with a parent/caregiver
**Thursdays, April 7-21 and May 5-19, 10-10:30 am**

### Monday Morning Music
Ages 2-5 with a parent/caregiver
**Mondays, April 18 and May 16, 10-10:30 am**
Feel the rhythm, hear the rhyme, it's Monday Morning Music time!

### Family Storytime
Ages 2 and up with a parent/caregiver
**Sundays, April 24 and May 22, 3-3:30 pm**
At this family storytime we'll listen to stories, sing songs, and more.

### Tots Dealing with Big Feelings
Ages 3-5 with a parent/caregiver
**Wednesday, May 25, 10-10:30 am**
Learn how to manage feelings through stories, songs, and activities and leave this storytime with strategies to handle overwhelming emotions. This session's theme: Calm.

Until we can see you again for *all* of our programs, we have put together a fun lineup of both online and in-person programs for your little ones.

In-person events and mask requirements are subject to change based on guidelines from local and state authorities, so visit **mgpl.org/covid19** for the most up-to-date information.

# KIDS

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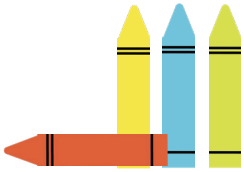
### Craftin' Around

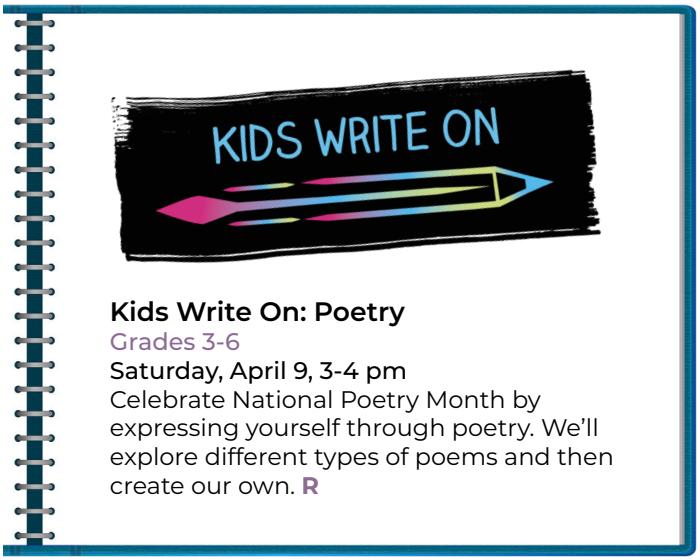
Grades 4-8
**Wednesdays, 7-8 pm**
April 6: Origami
May 4: Painting Rocks and Shells
Join us for an evening of craft-tastic fun! **R**

Grades 6-8
**Thursdays, April 7 and May 5, 7-8 pm**
A fun-filled hour of anime appreciation. We'll watch and talk about your favorite shows, draw, and enjoy all things anime. **R**

### Crafty Saturday



All Ages
**Saturdays, April 9 and May 14**
**9:30 am - 4:30 pm**
Drop into the Youth Services department to make a seasonal craft while supplies last.




### Kids Write On: Poetry

Grades 3-6
**Saturday, April 9, 3-4 pm**
Celebrate National Poetry Month by expressing yourself through poetry. We'll explore different types of poems and then create our own. **R**

### Read to a Rainbow Dog

Grades K-5
**Tuesdays, April 12 and May 10, 7-8 pm**
Trained therapy dogs patiently listen to your child as they read from a book of their choice. To register for a 15-minute session, visit the Youth Services Desk or call 847-965-4220 x2. **R**

Online events are held using free Zoom software on your internet-connected device (computer, smartphone, or tablet) unless otherwise noted. An email with instructions on how to join the event will be sent to registrants the day before the event.

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### Drama Club

Grades 1-8
**Tuesdays, April 19 and May 17, 7-8 pm**
Bring out your inner drama queen or king and get creative with acting, improv, and theater games. **R**

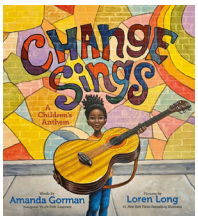
### DIY Family Game Night
All Ages
**Wednesdays, April 13 and May 18, 7-8 pm**
Join us for an evening of zany homemade games in the Baxter Auditorium. Some assembly required! Games are geared toward school-aged kids and above, though younger children might be interested in participating with a grown-up. **R**

### LEGO Builders (Online)
Grades K-8
**Mondays, April 18 and May 16, 6:30-7:30 pm**
Get out your LEGO or other favorite building materials and take the challenge to create something during our Zoom meetup. You can also show-and-tell any awesome creations you have been building recently. (Zoom) **R**

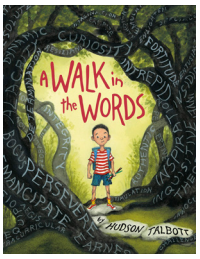
### An Evening with the *We Move Together* Creators
All Ages
**Thursday, April 21, 6-7 pm**
Authors Kelly Fritsch, Anne McGuire, and illustrator Eduardo Trejos discuss their book *We Move Together* and show families how to advocate for more accessible spaces in their neighborhood through a fun craft-based exercise. Bring your questions for a post-event Q&A. (Zoom) **R**

## StoryWalk

Head to the Library for some outdoor family fun. The pages of a book are arranged on numbered signs around the building. Take a stroll and enjoy the story at your own pace.



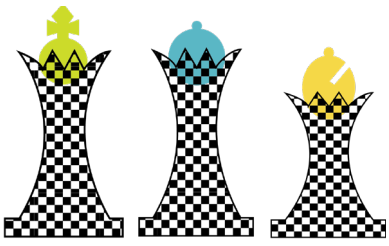

**April**
*Change Sings: A Children's Anthem*
by Amanda Gorman




**May**
*A Walk in the Words*
by Hudson Talbott

The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT, and developed in collaboration with the Vermont Bicycle & Pedestrian Coalition and the Kellogg Hubbard Library.

## Chess Academy (Online)
Grades 1-8
**Thursdays, April 21 and May 19, 7-8 pm**
Learn how to play chess with chess master Chris Christmas. All skill levels welcome. Create your free lichess.org account prior to playing. (Zoom) **R**



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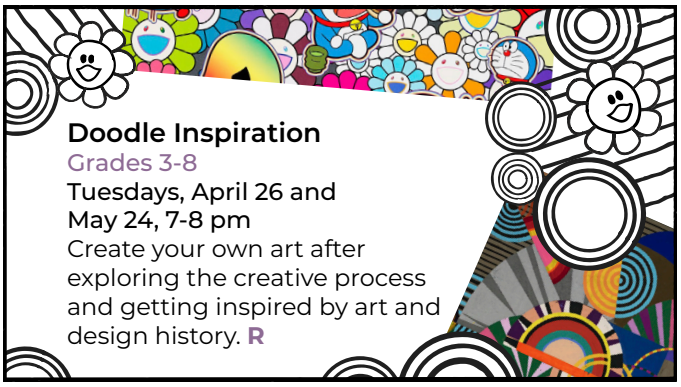


### Doodle Inspiration
Grades 3-8
**Tuesdays, April 26 and May 24, 7-8 pm**
Create your own art after exploring the creative process and getting inspired by art and design history. **R**

### Your Favorite Books Trivia (Online)
Grades 3-6
**Wednesday, April 27, 4-5 pm**
You've read and reread *Diary of a Wimpy Kid, Dog Man*, and *The Baby-Sitters Club*. Now put your knowledge of your favorite book series to the test! Create your free account on Kahoot.com before the program begins, then join us on Zoom to participate. (Zoom) **R**

### Family Engineering Night
All Ages
**Thursdays, 7-8 pm**
**April 28:** Pneumatic Dragons
**May 26:** Slingshot Cars
Once a month, we turn a STEM idea into an engineering project. Projects are intended for school-aged kids and above, though younger children might be interested in participating with a grown-up. **R**

### STEMonade Stand
Stop by the STEMonade Stand located at our Lincoln Avenue entrance for project kits to do at home. Each kit is sealed inside a zip-top bag with instructions and STEM connections. For more information and weekly updates on projects, visit **mgpl.org/stemonade**. When life gives you lemons, make STEMonade.

### LitLoot Middle School
Grades 6-8
**May 1-14**
LitLoot is a free literary subscription box for middle-schoolers filled with a custom selected library book and other goodies. Subscribe to May's box at **mgpl.org/events**. We'll contact you when your box is ready for pickup at the end of the month. Subscriptions are limited, so register early. Library card required. **R**

### Escape Room (Online)
Grades 4-8
**Tuesday, May 3, 4:30-5:30 pm**

### Jr. Escape Room (Online)
Grades 1-3
**Thursday, May 5, 4:30-5:30 pm**

Join us in the Zoom Room of Doom for a virtual locked-room challenge. The only escape is to conquer all the puzzles. Together, we will use our STEAM skills to problem-solve our way to freedom. Be sure to have scratch paper and pencil handy. (You may bring a reading assistant if needed.) (Zoom) **R**

Grades 1-3
**Saturday, May 7, 3-4 pm**
Use the work of a well-known artist as inspiration to create your own mini masterpiece. This session's artist: Judith Scott. **R**

**Short Creative Works by/for YOU**
Visit the Middle School space to view the collection and learn how to submit your own zine.

**NEW**

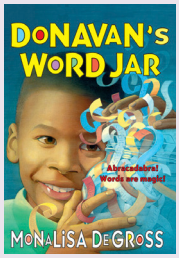
## Interactive Toys and Hands-On Learning Games

- **Large magnet wall for interactive fun**
- **Play counter for imaginative play**
- **3-D throw pillow tangram challenges**
- **Nintendo Switch gaming for 6th-8th graders**

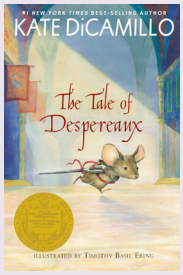
## BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS

Registration opens for each book club event on April 1. After you register, pick up your free copy of the book of the month at the Youth Services Desk.

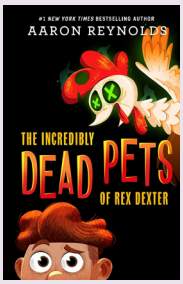
### Family Reads
Grades 1-3
**Monday, May 23, 6:45-7:30 pm**
Read the book of the month aloud at home with your family, then bring a grown-up with you to discuss and explore the story with a hands-on activity. This month's book: *Donavan's Word Jar* by Monalisa DeGross. **R**



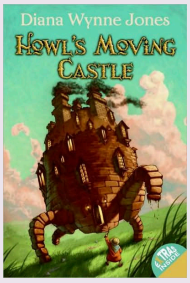

### Mother-Daughter Book Club
Grades 4-6
**Monday, May 9, 7-8 pm**
Bring your mother (or favorite female grown-up) with you for a discussion and activities connected to the book of the month: *The Tale of Despereaux* by Kate DiCamillo. **R**




### Guys Read
Grades 4-6
**Wednesday, May 11, 7-8 pm**
Team up with your favorite grown-up for discussion and activities featuring the book of the month: *The Incredibly Dead Pets of Rex Dexter* by Aaron Reynolds. **R**




### Books & Beyond
Grades 6-8
**Thursday, May 12, 6-8 pm**
Read the book and then come to the Library to watch the movie based on the book of the month: *Howl's Moving Castle* by Diana Wynne Jones. **R**



# TEENS

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**LitLoot**
Grades 9-12
**April 1-11**
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**Take & Make: Origami Bookmarks**
Make your own origami animal bookmark. Available at the Info Desk starting May 1 while supplies last.

**ACT/SAT Combo Test Prep**
**Saturday, May 7, 10 am - 2 pm**
Experience both tests to see which is the right fit for you, then receive a detailed analysis of your performance from More Than Scores And Tests, Ltd. R

**Teen Volunteer Bag**
Pick up a volunteer bag at the Info Desk and return your completed project for one hour of service credit. This project will benefit local animal shelters. Available while supplies last.

# ADULTS

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In-person events and mask requirements are subject to change based on Restore Illinois guidelines, so visit **mgpl.org/covid19** for the most up-to-date information.

## SENIOR ACTIVITY KITS

Stay busy and keep your brain active with Senior Activity Kits, which include fun and creative activities for seniors along with informational materials. Available on the first of each month at the Info Desk while supplies last.

## ADULT ESL LITERACY KITS

Practice English with monthly ESL Literacy Kits for adults. Each kit may contain vocabulary puzzles, idioms, suggested activities, or a short reading exercise, along with the monthly issue of *Easy English News* newspaper. Suitable for all skill levels. Available on the first of each month at the Info Desk while supplies last.

## MONEY MATTERS

April is National Financial Literacy Month, so it's the perfect time to take control of your financial well-being and learn from expert speakers through this series of programs.

**The Ins and Outs of Bankruptcy (Online)**
**Monday, April 4, 7-8 pm**
Learn about the overall bankruptcy process, Chapter 7 and Chapter 13, the pros and cons of filing bankruptcy, and how it affects student loans. (Zoom) **R**

**Saving & Investing Basics (Online)**
**Thursday, April 14, 7-8 pm**
Get the latest on savings, 401K, and IRA accounts and other important things all beginner investors should know. (Zoom) **R**

**Protect Your Piggy Bank (Online)**
**Thursday, April 21, 7-8 pm**
Learn how to find reliable ratings for banks, credit unions, insurance companies, and more with Tom Kilkenny from Weiss Financial Ratings. (Zoom) **R**

**Property Tax 101 (Online)**
**Thursday, April 28, 2-3 pm**
Taxpayer advocate Andrea Raila explains how to lower property taxes, get tax exemptions and refunds, understand market value reassessment notices, use self-help links, and more. (Zoom) **R**

# Birding Programs

**Bird Bingo**
Calling all birders! Pick up a Bird Bingo card from the Info Desk or online starting April 1 to fill out while you spot birds in your backyard and beyond. Return your completed Bingo card for a chance to win a pair of birdwatching binoculars. Limit one entry per person. Visit **mgpl.org/birds** for more information.

**Backyard Birding**
**Tuesday, April 5, 7-8 pm**
Learn how to identify popular backyard birds, their unique behaviors and calls, and the differences between males and females with Alyse Burman from Wildbird Shack. **R**

**Bird Walk**
**Sunday, April 24, 10-11 am**
Josh Engle from Red Hill Birding leads a walk through Linne Woods to spot local and migratory birds. Bring binoculars if you have them, but you do not need them to participate. Find information about trail conditions, suggested attire, and meeting location at **mgpl.org/events**. (Weather permitting) **R**

# HEALTHY LIVING

**Tai Chi (Online)**
**Mondays, April 11 and 18, May 2 and 16, 9:30-10:15 am**
Certified tai chi instructor Erica Bough demonstrates Shibashi body movements, breathing exercises, and meditation to help restore balance, flexibility and reduce stress. All experience levels welcome. Wear comfortable clothes. (Zoom) **R**

**Chair Yoga (Online)**
**Fridays, 9-10 am**
Practice seated poses in one of the gentlest forms of yoga available, led by certified yoga instructor Cher Walter. All experience levels welcome. Wear comfy clothes. (Zoom) **R**

**Why Mindfulness Matters**
**Saturday, May 21, 1-2:30 pm**
Chris George, a Mindfulness and Compassion Facilitator, provides an overview of mindfulness and how to use simple yet highly effective strategies to be more resilient. **R**

Our Tomato Club is returning this spring! Members start their plant from seed and watch it grow throughout the summer, with help every step of the way from fellow planters, the Library, and Master Gardeners from the University of Illinois Extension Program. Visit **mgpl.org/tomato** for more information as you take your tomato plant from seed to sandwich.

**Intro to Tomato Club (Online)**
**Wednesday, April 6, 7-8 pm**
An MGPL librarian and a Master Gardener give an overview of Tomato Club and the first steps of growing a tomato plant from seed. (Zoom) **R**

**Tomato Club Planting (Front Lawn)**
**Monday, April 11, 10 am - 12 pm**
**Tuesday, April 12, 2-4 pm**
**Wednesday, April 13, 5-7 pm**
Plant your seeds, learn how to care for your new plant at home, and get a Tomato Club tote bag to take home. **R**

**Tomato Club Check-Ins**
**Wednesday, April 27, 7-8 pm (Online)**
**Thursday, May 12, 10-11 am**
**Wednesday, May 25, 7-8 pm (Online)**
Get growing advice, show off your plant's progress, ask questions, and talk all things tomato with Master Gardeners and your fellow Tomato Club members. Please note which dates are in person versus online. **R**

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## Social SENIORS

Join us for a variety of fun activities in the Baxter Auditorium. Seating is limited, so guarantee your spot by registering ahead of time. **R**

### Bingo
**Wednesday, April 6 and May 4, 10-11 am**
Socialize as you play this fun game. Small prizes will be awarded to those who Bingo!

### Arts & Crafts
**Wednesdays, April 13 and May 11, 10-11 am**
Tap into your inner creativity with a fun and easy craft project.
**April:** Book Page Mosaic
**May:** Pop-Out Flower Bouquet Cards

### Coloring & Brain Puzzles
**Wednesdays, April 20 and May 18, 10-11 am**
Relieve stress and stimulate your brain. Coloring supplies and puzzles will be provided.

### Wits Workout
**Wednesdays, April 27 and May 25, 10-11 am**
Maintain and enhance your cognitive function and memory with this interactive program.

### Make Your Own Kombucha
**Saturday, April 9, 10-11 am**
Kombucha is a sweetened fermented tea rich in gut-healthy probiotics. Andrea Pracht of the My Kitchen Clatter blog demonstrates how to brew your own kombucha at home so you can save money and impress your friends. **R**

### STEM for Adults (Online)
**Wednesday, April 13, 7-8 pm**
STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) isn't just for kids! William Pack shares why STEM matters and how adults can benefit from STEM-related skills. (Zoom) **R**

### Crafting for Charity
**Saturdays, April 23, May 14 and 28, 9:30-11:30 am**
Create handmade knitted and crocheted crafts for local organizations. Please bring your needles and/or hooks and some acrylic yarn. Seating is limited, so guarantee your spot by registering ahead of time. **R**

### Chicago: The First Hollywood (Online)
**Sunday, May 1, 2-3 pm**
Film historian Annette Bochenek discusses the film industry's early days in Chicago, its silent film studios and stars, and their legacies today. (Zoom) **R**

## CIVIC ENGAGEMENT Book Picks

Visit our Civic Engagement hub at **mgpl.org/civics** for staff-curated lists of resources related to a variety of topics.

Not sure where to begin? We've selected a few titles to help you get started.

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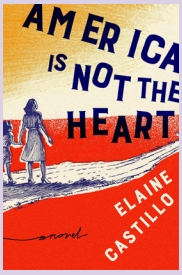
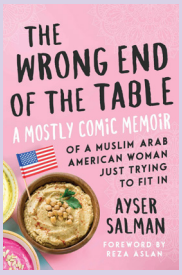
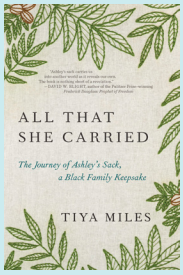



*America is Not the Heart*
by Elaine Castillo



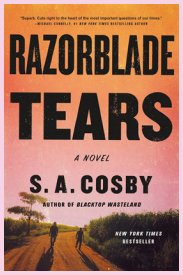

*The Wrong End of the Table: A Mostly Comic Memoir of a Muslim Arab American Woman Just Trying to Fit In*
by Ayser Salman

**Gender**




*All That She Carried: The Journey of Ashley's Sack, A Black Family Keepsake*
by Tiya Miles

**LGBTQ**

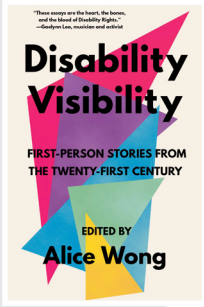



*Razorblade Tears*
by S.A. Cosby

# AN EVENING WITH **ALICE WONG**

Photo: Eddie Hernandez Photography

**(Online)**
**Tuesday, April 19, 7-8 pm**
Alice Wong, acclaimed disability rights activist and founder of advocacy group Disability Visibility, discusses the process of and motivation behind editing the powerful essay collection *Disability Visibility*. Bring your questions for a community Q&A at the end. (Zoom) **R**




Hosted by Niles Township Government, Oakton Community College, and the Lincolnwood, Morton Grove, Niles-Maine, and Skokie public libraries. This event is part of the 2022 Coming Together series Sharing Experiences of Disability. Visit **comingtogether.in** to learn more.

## TUESDAY MOVIES @ MGPL

Seating is limited, guarantee your spot by registering ahead of time. **R**

***Dear Evan Hansen***
Tuesday, April 5, 10 am - 12:15 pm

***Quill: The Life of a Guide Dog***
Tuesday, April 12, 10-11:45 am

This event is part of the 2022 Coming Together series Sharing Experiences of Disability. Visit **comingtogether.in** to learn more.

***The Eyes of Tammy Faye***
Tuesday, April 19, 10 am - 12 pm

***News of the World***
Tuesday, April 26, 10 am - 12 pm

***Percy vs Goliath***
Tuesday, May 3, 10-11:45 am

***All My Life***
Tuesday, May 10, 10-11:30 am

***Irresistible***
Tuesday, May 17, 10-11:45 am

***In the Heights***
Tuesday, May 24, 10 am - 12:30 pm

***Judy***
Tuesday, May 31, 10 am - 12 pm

## VIRTUAL AUTHOR VISITS

**An Evening with Nick Offerman (Online)**
**Wednesday, April 27**
Actor, humorist, woodworker, and Illinois native Nick Offerman (*Parks & Recreation*, NBC's *Making It*) discusses his newest book *Where the Deer and the Antelope Play: The Pastoral Observations of One Ignorant American Who Loves to Walk Outside*. **R**

Photo: Roy Rochlin

**An Evening with Michelle Zauner (Online)**
**Wednesday, May 18**
Songwriter and guitarist Michelle Zauner of the band Japanese Breakfast explores the intersection of food, culture, family, identity, and loss, lovingly chronicled in her bestselling memoir *Crying in H Mart*. **R**

Photo: Barbora Mrazkova

These events are made possible by **Illinois Libraries Present**, a statewide collaboration between public libraries offering high-quality events.

## THE BREAKUP OF THE BEATLES

**Thursday, May 5, 7-8 pm**
As the 1960s ended, so did the partnership of the world's most popular and influential band. Beatles expert and historian Gregory Alexander (aka Professor Moptop) leads a multimedia discussion of the Beatles breakup and the role each member played in the final days. **R**

In-person events and mask requirements are subject to change based on Restore Illinois guidelines, visit **mgpl.org/covid19** for the most up-to-date information.

Saturday, May 7, 10 am - 12 pm
Bring a healthy, rooted houseplant to trade with other plant enthusiasts in the Library's rear parking lot. Be ready to share your plant's name and light, soil, and water preferences. We will be joined by experts from Plant Shop Chicago and their mobile plant shop. (Rain date: Saturday, May 14.) **R**

### Name That Tune (Online & Phone)
Wednesday, May 11, 10-10:30 am
In this virtual version of Name That Tune, participants listen (over the phone or via Zoom) to snippets of music from the good old days, then guess the name of the song. **R**

### Exploring Spices (Online)
Explore spices from around the world in this flavorful monthly program. Pick up the spice of the month and then discover the taste by making any dish you choose. At the end of the month, we will meet over Zoom to share results and experiences. (Zoom) **R**

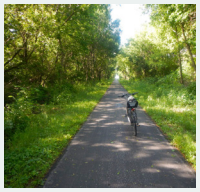
**Thai Green Curry Spice**
Sunday, May 22, 2-3 pm (pickup starts May 1)

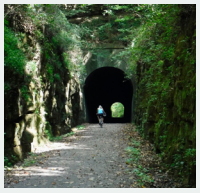
## SAVVY CYCLING

This May, in celebration of **National Bike Month**, we're hosting a series of bicycle-related programs to help you get moving and equip you with the know-how to be a savvy and safe cyclist. These programs are ideal for beginners and for anyone eager to get ready for bike season.

### What You Need to Know About EBikes
Monday, May 9, 7-8 pm
Sharon Kaminecki, ebike enthusiast and owner of Earth Rider, discusses electric-assist bicycles, their legal status, pros and cons, and what their future holds. **R**

### Best Bicycle Trails in Illinois and Surrounding States (Online)
Thursday, May 12, 7-8 pm
With amazing photography, professional traveler John Lynn shares his best bicycle trails throughout Illinois and surrounding states, including Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Missouri, and Wisconsin. (Zoom) **R**





### Preparing Your Bike for Safe Riding (Online)
Tuesday, May 17, 7-8 pm
Learn how to use the ABC Bicycle Check to assess and maintain your bicycle's air pressure, chain, wheels and tires, and brakes. **R**

### Bike Safety Tips for Older Adults
Monday, May 23, 10-11 am
Get bicycle safety tips for older adults, including where to ride, choosing a bike, avoiding crashes, and issues and concerns for older cyclists. **R**

### Bike Safety Tips for Parents
Wednesday, May 25, 7:30-8:30 pm
Get bicycle safety tips for children and parents, including proper helmet fit and hand signals, avoiding crashes, and communicating with other cyclists and motorists. **R**

## COMPUTERS & TECHNOLOGY

**Tech Talk: Birding Apps (Online)**
**Thursday, April 7, 10-10:30 am**
Learn about free apps for bird identification and birding. (Zoom) **R**

**Genealogy: The 1950 US Census (Online)**
**Thursday, April 21, 2-3 pm**
The release of a new census means a new treasure trove for genealogists to explore. Find out about the new information it contains, how to access it, and how to find your family. (Zoom) **R**

**Tech Talk: PressReader (Online)**
**Thursday, May 5, 10-10:30 am**
Learn how you can read the *Chicago Tribune, Chicago Sun-Times*, and thousands of other periodicals on your computer or smartphone with your library card. (Zoom) **R**

**Create Films in Windows Video Editor (Online)**
**Thursday, May 19, 2-3 pm**
Learn how to use Windows Video Editor, a free and easy-to-use creative tool for telling a story or sharing an experience through images, text, motion, and music. (Zoom) **R**

**Introduction to Google Drive**
**Thursday, May 26, 2-3 pm**
Learn how to create, upload, and manage your content, and collaborate with others. (Zoom) **R**

## BOOK A LIBRARIAN

Want to learn a technology thing? From learning the ropes on a new smartphone to figuring out how to perform a specific task in a piece of software (like VLOOKUP in Excel), we are here to help. Morton Grove cardholders can make an appointment to meet with a librarian. Fill out a request at **mgpl.org/book-a-librarian** or call us at 847-965-4220 to get started.

## BOOK PICKS

Looking for your next great read? Fill out the form at **mgpl.org/book-picks** to receive a customized list of suggested books from our librarians. Don't have a computer? No problem—we are happy to give suggestions over the phone or in person as well.

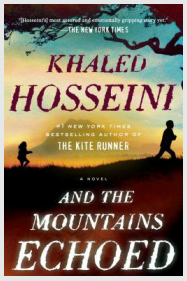
## BOOK TALKS

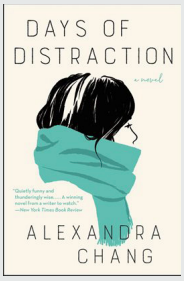
Join us at the Library for a book talk. Registration is required. Bring your library card as books will be available for checkout. **R**

**Coming Together: Disability Experiences**
**Wednesday, April 6, 1-2 pm**
As a part of the 2022 Coming Together series, explore the experiences of people with disabilities in their own words.

## BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS

**Between the Lines (Online)**
Between the Lines meets over the phone via Zoom. Titles are always available on Hoopla, as well as other library ebook platforms. Registered patrons will receive a call the day before the program with the meeting ID and password for joining the event. Call 312-626-6799 five minutes before the start of the program and enter the meeting ID and password. **R**



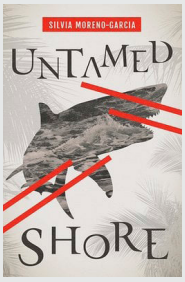

***And the Mountains Echoed***
by Khaled Hosseini
**Tuesday, April 26, 7-8 pm**

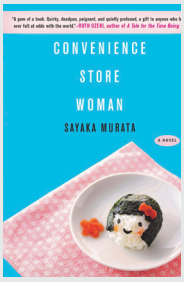
***Days of Distraction***
by Alexandra Chang
**Tuesday, May 24, 7-8 pm**

**Book Chat (Online)**
Looking for something more casual than a traditional book discussion? Come hang out with your fellow book lovers and talk about whatever you're reading, watching, or doing. **R**

**Thursday, April 21, 10-11 am**
**Thursday, May 19, 10-11 am**

**LitLounge (Online)**
Titles are always available on Hoopla, as well as other library ebook platforms. Registered patrons will receive a confirmation email with information on how to join the meeting. **R**




***Untamed Shore***
by Silvia Moreno-Garcia
**Wednesday, April 13, 7:30-9 pm**

***Convenience Store Woman***
by Sayaka Murata
**Wednesday, May 11, 7:30-9 pm**

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CHANGES AND CANCELLATIONS
Events are subject to change and may be cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances. Call the Library at 847-965-4220 to confirm scheduled events.

## LIBRARY **CLOSINGS**

**Sunday, April 17** for Easter
**Friday, April 29** for staff training

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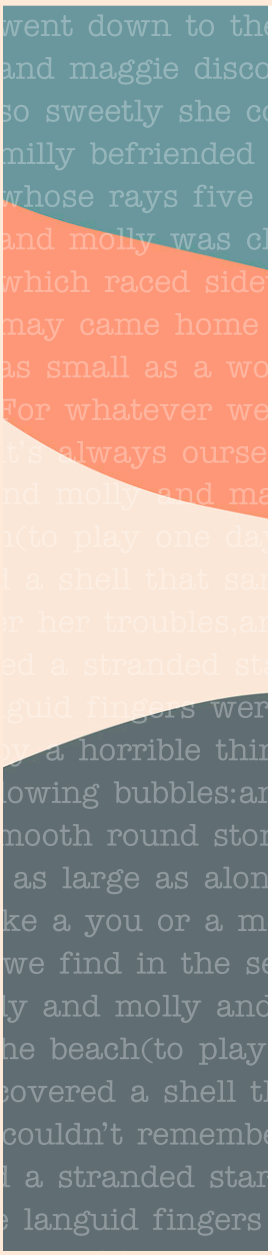


April is
# NATIONAL POETRY MONTH

### Poet-Tree
We are celebrating National Poetry Month in April with a "Poet-Tree" in the Lincoln Avenue entrance. To help it grow, pick up a leaf at the Info Desk and write an original poem or one of your favorites on it, then return it to the Info Desk. Be sure to check on the tree's progress and enjoy each other's poems throughout the month!

### Poem In Your Pocket Day
**Tuesday, April 26**
Visit the Info Desk and pick up a poem to put in your pocket in celebration of National Poetry Month. Read it, enjoy it, and take it with you to share with others or keep for yourself.